



# **Toussaint River, Ohio**

### **Harbor Features**

- ➤ Located on Lake Erie at the mouth of the Toussaint River, Carroll Township, OH
- ➤ Authorization: Rivers & Harbors Act of 1960 and Water Resources Development Act of 2007
- > Shallow draft recreational harbor
- ➤ Project depth is 4 feet in the federal navigation channel.
- ➤ Maintenance dredging work for this project is cost shared 72 percent federal and 28 percent local. The local project sponsor is Carroll Township.
- ➤ The former Erie Army Depot used an area near the Toussaint River project as a military munitions range from 1918–1967. The Army National Guard, located at Camp Perry, currently uses a portion of this range as part of daily operations.
- ➤ The possible presence of military munitions must be considered during maintenance dredging activities.
- ➤ Under the Water Resources Development Act 2007, the costs of operation and maintenance related to the presence of unexploded ordnance, are a federal expense.
- Major stakeholders: U.S. Coast Guard, fishing interests, and the recreational boating community.

## **Project Requirements**

➤ The harbor requires periodic dredging to maintain the navigation channel. The harbor was last dredged in 2004 when 24,000 cubic yards were removed. Maintenance dredging is currently required to maintain the functional harbor areas.



### **Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project**

- ➤ Failure to complete periodic dredging will result continued shoaling, reduced channel dimensions, and unsafe navigation conditions.
- ➤ Negative economic impacts, locally and regionally
- ➤ Potential safety issues for recreational boating community

#### **Transportation Importance**

- ➤ Provides safe access between Toussaint River and Lake Erie
- ➤ Other features include 400 seasonal and 50 transient recreational boat slips.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2021, 2022, and 2023 Toussaint River, Ohio — Project Requirements and President's Budget (\$1,000)

Work Package	FY21 Requirement	FY21 Appropriation	FY22 Requirement	FY22 President's Budget	FY23 Requirement	FY23 President's Budget
Real Estate Management	1	0	1	0	5	0
Maintenance Dredging	0	0	2,000	0	0	0
TOTALS	1	0	2,001	0	5	TBD

## **Congressional Interests**

- Representative Marcy Kaptur D-OH-9
- Senator Rob Portman R-OH
- Senator Sherrod Brown D-OH